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1. Industria Textila Timisoareana, under the Cotton Section of the Ministry of Light Industry, was the property of the Italian firm Romitex before nationalization. It has several mills which employ a total of 1,300 workers.
2. The cotton spinning mill, at Calea Aradului No. 26, has 48 ring frames with 21,000 spindles, a beating machine, 72 carding machines, and 60 to 72 twisting machines. All equipment is of Italian Marcoli make. Seven hundred workers are employed in three shifts.
3. The mill has an approximate annual production of 1,400 tons of yarn, ranging from No. 12 (rough quality) to No. 80 (very fine quality). Approximately one-half of its annual production is sent to the USSR, particularly the better qualities (from No. 40 up), while the remainder goes to Rumanian weaving mills.
4. The mill receives approximately 30 per cent of its raw cotton from local sources, and the remainder is imported from the USSR.
5. The weaving mill, also at Calea Aradului No. 26, has 260 mechanical looms, all of Italian Marcoli make. Two hundred and ten looms have a width of 100 to 160 centimeters, and 50 have a width of 240 centimeters.
6. The mill has an annual production of 300,000 meters of cotton cloth. It also makes bandages and dressings to special order for the Army and occasional orders of fine material (from No. 120 yarns) for the Air Force. A total of 12,000 meters of such material was made in 1950.
7. A large proportion of the mill's output goes to factories which make army uniforms, such as:
 - a. Gheorghe Gheorghiu-Dej factory in Bucharest
 - b. Drapelul Rosu factory in Bucharest
 - c. 7 October factory in Bucharest
 - d. Steana Rosie factory in Sibiu.

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8. The bleaching and dye plants are on Strada 23 August, on the bank of the Bega River. The bleaching plant has three very large Marcoli steam boilers, and the dye plant has four Jigare dyeing machines.
9. The hemp spinning mill is in the yard of the Timisoara brewery. It has from 5,000 to 6,000 spindles, all of German Hammel (sic) make. One hundred and fifty workers are employed.
10. The only two other hemp spinning mills in Rumania are the Nicolae Rizescu (former name), near Bucharest, and the Seferian (former name) at Galati. Both these mills have 5,000 to 6,000 spindles.

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